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HONORS RECEIVED BY TWELVE IN SPRAGUE-FRANKLIN PROGRAM

The third week in December saw Sprague-Franklin School students complete the first semester of this year's courses.

There are 25 employees enrolled in Term I of the one year Preparatory Course, 22 enrolled in Term I, and 5 enrolled in Term II of the three year Advanced Course.

Completing Term I of the Preparatory Course with honors were: George Barone, Joseph Cusson, Bernard Fitzpatrick, Henry Gamari, Jr., Kenneth LeFave, William McKay and Earl Sullivan. Others completing the term were: Donald Bunting, Gerald Bunting, Norman Chenaill, Geraldine Cole, Douglas Diggins, Carleton Edmunds, Eugene Gamache, Iris Jensen, Carmen LaCasse, Robert Lincoln, William Pfister, Harold Raithel, William Ross, Frederick Rotolo, Theodore Sprague, Charles Wilson and Robert Ziaja.

Earning honors in Term I of the three year Advance Course were: Robert Filiault, Robert Herzog, Richard Lord, and Frederick Pinkall. Also completing the same term were: Charles Betit, John Blair, Stanley Broda, Francis Carmichael, Richard Gray, Richard Hamelin, John Herbert, Charles Heinrich, Howard Lee, Ronald Lepel, James Lovett, Ralph Mariani, William Meiklejohn, Eugene Mauk, Richard Maynard, James Mazzu, Guy Pelletier and David Sholz.

Honors in Term III of the three year Advance Course were received by Philbrook Worcester, and the semester was also completed by William Pierce.

The first semester courses consisted of physics, math, and AC circuits. Second semester courses, in addition to the above, include DC circuits and chemistry.

The school's Administrative Director is Courtney W. Flanders, Manager of Training and Publications. Dr.

James Casey of the Research and Engineering Department is the program's Technical Director.

The Sprague-Franklin School is presented by the Company in co-operation with the Franklin Technical Institute of Boston.

The Institute provides professional guidance, entrance exams, and course syllabi. Sprague Electric provides instructors, books and equipment and classroom and laboratory facilities. The instructors are all Sprague engineers or scientific personnel and are accredited by the Institute as University instructors.

Instructors during the fall term included: Leonard Adelson, preparatory physics; Ali Allmaker and Clark Anderson, preparatory mathematics; Dr. Karl Busen, Kurt Schoeni and Dr. George Schirn, mathematics; Michael Geroulo, preparatory physics; Walter Lamphier and Edward Younglove, college physics; and A. Kelly Hooks, AC circuits. All courses are presented on the college level.

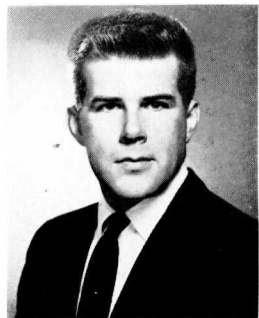
On December 28th and 29th each student was personally interviewed by Mr. Richard Beaton, Assistant Dean of Franklin Technical Institute, who acts as a consultant for the Sprague-Franklin program. These interviews take place semi-annually for all students.

In the spring term, which started January 4th, the instructors are: Leonard Adelson, Ali Allmaker, Clark Anderson, Dr. Karl Busen, Dr. James Casey, Charles Lavine, Dr. George Schirn, Michael Geroulo and Edward Younglove.

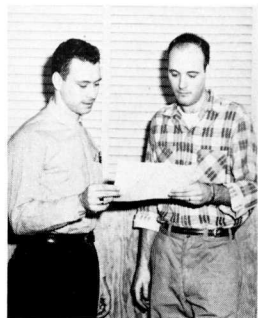
Classes will continue for a period of eighteen weeks, terminating on May 5th with final exams. Classes are held each Monday and Thursday evening at 6:30 P.M. at the Marshall Street Plant.

This year's group represents the largest number to take part in the program since its beginning in 1957.

Company Educational Sponsorship Program



Pictured above is Arthur Christopher, Manager of the Camden, New Jersey Sales Office, who recently completed a two year Alexander Hamilton Institute Course in "Modern Business".



John Severin (right) is shown receiving his International Correspondence School Certificate in Quality Control from his foreman, Charles Wilson.

H. BRIERLEY PASSES AWAY UNEXPECTEDLY

The employees of Sprague Electric were deeply saddened on February 16 by the sudden death of Harry W. Brierley, former foreman in the Special Products Division at Union St. Mr. Brierley had been at work as usual in the morning but left for home before noon. His many friends and associates were stunned to hear of his untimely death.

Mr. Brierley had been a Sprague employee since February 28, 1952. He started work in Check Inspection but in a short time was made a supervisor in the FP Assembly and later transferred to Magnetic Samples and Magnetic Assembly. He was made a foreman in Magnetic Assembly in September 1959.

A native of Cohoes, New York, he attended elementary and high school in North Adams. Prior to coming to Sprague he was a salesman for C. H. Cutting and Co. and Norcross-Eldredge Co.

He was a member of the Sprague Management Club, was a member and past master of Greylock Lodge of Masons, a past commander of St. Paul Commandery Knights Templar, and a member of Melha Temple of the Shrine in Springfield.

Surviving are his wife, the former Gladys R. Trotter, also a Sprague employee, and four sons, Donald of Ithaca, New York, Gordon of the U. S. Army in Germany, Wayne and Gary both of North Adams, and a grandson Eric of Ithaca, New York.

Names in the News

BRUCE CARLSON, Statistical Assistant to the President, was named the Williamstown School Committee's representative on the Mt. Greylock Regional School District School Committee.

DR. WILBUR A. LAZIER, Vice-President and Technical Director of Research and Engineering has been reappointed to the Research Committee of the National Association of Manufacturers. Announcement was also made of the appointment of JOHN H. WINANT, Assistant Director of Employee and Community Relations to the Industrial Relations Committee of the NAM.

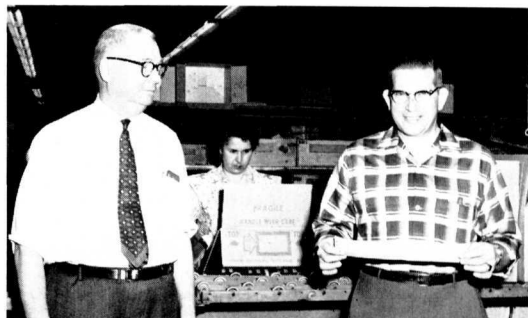
VINCENT SWEENEY, Manager of Patent Services, was a guest speaker at a recent meeting of the Monday Club. He gave a background history of the patent systems of Europe, England and the United States.

NORMAN D. SCHULZE, Department Head of Plant Engineering, was unanimously re-elected chairman of the North Adams Redevelopment Authority.

FRANCIS C. WILSON, Manager of Employee Services, has been named to the Admission Committee for the Berkshire County District of Brown

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14 EMPLOYEES SHARE \$410 IN SUGGESTION AWARDS



Roy Cook (right) beams at his \$75 Suggestion Award Check which he has just received from the foreman Charles Sutliff, for his idea to improve a packing operation in the FP Assembly.

The Suggestion Committee made an impressive start for 1960 by awarding \$410 to fourteen employees at its meeting on January 25.

The name of Roy Cook heads the list since he received the largest award. Roy, a supervisor in FP Assembly, received a \$75.00 award for a suggestion which improved a packing operation. He was also tied for the highest award made in December and has received an award each of the last three months.

Receiving awards of \$45, \$40, \$35 and \$30 respectively were Walter Gliwski, Catherine Dickie, Earl Frederick and Donald Merline. Walter, of Chlorinol Department, authored an idea which eliminated the rejection of units for poor and out of alignment stamping. For her idea to use two labeling machines and put labels on

in one operation, Catherine Dickie of Retail Sales received her award. Earl Frederick of Office Services suggested an improved method of casting eyelets into cases and thereby earned his \$35 award. For his \$30 award, Donald Merline of Special Products Division R & E suggested the use of an improved tool for machine core winding.

Five employees were each awarded \$25 for their suggestions. Harold Lowe and Arthur Heyes of FP Assembly earned \$25 each for their combined suggestion to improve quality of ring cans prior to shipment to the customer by removing the excess tab before the unit is ring canned. For her idea which saves time in dating invoices, Eileen Gillooly of Sprague Products received her award. In the New York Sales Office, Suzanne Galimir's suggestion to apply felt strips to the bottom of drawers and thereby prevent the slipping and crumbling of thin paper sheets, earned her award. Ann Heath of Industrial Oils Stacking improved an induction soldering method and by it earned her award.

Receiving special awards of \$15 were: Elsie Belding of Tantalum Formation, John Battersby and Anthony Falco of Filters and Joy Dempsey of Sprague Products.

Sprague Electric's Suggestion System offers substantial rewards for those who participate. One or more ideas are sure to pay off at a future date. The national average is 1 out of every 3 being accepted and Sprague's acceptance rate is above this average.

J. R. FISHER JOINS COMPANY AS PRODUCT SPECIALIST

Appointment of James R. Fisher as Product Specialist on piezo-electric ceramic materials for the Sprague Electric Company was recently announced by Carroll G. Killen, Manager of Field Engineering. Mr. Fisher comes to Sprague from the Eastman Kodak Company of Rochester, New York where he was a Senior Design Engineer.

A graduate of the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Mr. Fisher formerly taught at the Rochester Institute of Technology and also spent three years with the U. S. Navy Submarine service as an electronics specialist. He is a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

Mr. Fisher and his wife, the former Celestine Gilmore of Pittsburg, Pa., and their two children will make their home in Old Bennington, Vt. Mr. Fisher is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Elery Fisher of Butler, Pa.



BLOODMOBILE

The first visit of the 1960 Bloodmobile of the Berkshire County Chapter Red Cross will be on Thursday and Friday, February 25 & 26 at the Masonic Temple from 10:15 AM to 4:15 PM.

Transportation from home or work to the Masonic Temple can be arranged by calling the Red Cross at MO 4-9032.

Sprague employees are allowed 1½ hours with pay to make their donation.

The quota is 155 pints for EACH DAY or a total of 310 pints. Let's everyone who is able, give to this worthy program.

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Editorial . . .

To Publish "National Log" Semi-Annually

In a continuing effort to keep you informed about Sprague Electric, we are publishing the first semi-annual National Sprague Log magazine in March. The "National Log" will be received by every Sprague employee wherever he may be. This means that publication of the regular Log and Branch Plant papers will be suspended for this March issue.

The planning of the semi-annual issues was set to coincide with the Annual Report which falls in March, and the Christmas messages which are in the December publications.

"Sprague Electric" is a well known name in the electronics field. We are one of the largest manufacturers of electronic components in the world. Our employees may be found from coast to coast and include several foreign countries as well.

As we do our job each day, many of us find it hard to visualize that we are part of one large group who are all working toward the same goal—even more difficult to imagine ourselves as part of a company which extends over the entire country. Yet it is a well known fact that only as we work together will we be successful.

This then may be considered one of the prime reasons for having a semi-annual "National Log." We hope to make you all feel that you are part of the Sprague family and that we all have many interests in common.

Since this is also our first effort to have one publication for all our readers, we would appreciate your thoughts and comments too. We are trying to gather information of a general interest to all our readers in this first issue. We hope this magazine will be the kind you will want to save, for it will contain the past, present and future of Sprague Electric Company.

Sports — . . .

SKIING

BASKETBALL

By
LOU ZITER

BASKETBALL

The fast Northern Berkshire League has completed another season with Adams High, defending champions, winner again—this time annexing the title without a blemish on their league record. A champion without a league defeat is a rarity in the NBL, but Adams has had the role once before in 1945 as Drury did in 1941. The team then was also under the leadership of their capable mentor, Chet Zabeck, who is regarded as one of the most distinctive basketball coaches in the state.

Local St. Joseph's and their capable coach, Frank Matranga, are to be congratulated for annexing the city championship. In doing this they defeated Drury in two of the most exciting, thrilling and scrappiest ball games in the NBL. Scores in these games were 34-33 and 49-46, with victory in each game not decided until the final second was counted down on the time clock.

Outstanding players in the city series, without any doubt, were Ron Pietras and Bobby Agnew for St. Joseph; and Bruce Gallagher of Drury NBL ALL-STAR SELECTIONS.

Your reporter goes out on a limb and picks his NBL All-Star team—a difficult task due to the number of ballplayers of equal caliber. The selections are as follows: Bruce Gallagher of Drury and Johnny Armata of Adams at the forward slots. Jim Chenail of Adams at center, and Billy McKeever of St. Joseph (P) and Bobby Agnew of St. Joseph (NA) as the guards. Tim McBride of Adams is the sixth man added to this mythical team.

TOURNEY TALK:

Both Adams and Pittsfield will again represent Berkshire County in the annual inter-scholastic schoolboy tournament of Western Massachusetts at Springfield College field house with the eventual winner going to the New England tournament.

SPORTS QUIZ . . .

Test your sports knowledge and grade yourself as follows: 0-3 poor; 4-6 fair; 7-9 good; 10-12 very good; 13-15 superior. Questions 1 thru 5 are worth 3 points (one for each part).

- What far west colleges have these nicknames?
 - Webfoots
 - Cougars
 - Tigers
- Match up these women athletes and their sport.

a. Ann Marston	1. billiards
b. Masako Kataura	2. skiing
c. Penny Pitau	3. archery
- Who led the NFL in these departments?
 - pass percentage
 - scoring
 - punting
- Name the golfers who won these tournaments in 1959.
 - U. S. Men's Amateur
 - Masters
 - U. S. Open
- With what universities are the following associated?
 - Iron Men
 - Thundering Herd
 - Whiz Kids

- SPORTS QUIZ ANSWERS
- Illinois
 - Southern California
 - Brown
 - Bill Casper
 - Art Wall
 - Jack Nicklaus
 - Sam Baker
 - Jimmy Brown
 - John Brodie
 - 2
 - 1
 - 3
 - College of Pacific
 - Washington State
 - Oregon
 - Washington
 - Illinois



The Northern Berkshire Champions for 1959-60 are the Adams High School team who are: (left to right) Co-managers Bruce Goyette and Ralph Goodermote; Chuck Sukanek, Chuck Konieczny, Al Rysz, Jim Chenail, Walt Stojda, Frank Adamczyk, Doug Plunkett, Mike McAndrews, Garry Glazebrook, Larry Rondeau and Coach Chet Zabeck. Kneeling in front are co-captains John Armata and Tim McBride. Missing from picture was Billy Bressette.

1959-60 City Basketball Champions



St. Joseph's are the city champions for the 1959-60 basketball season. They are: Front row (left to right) Emerson Vittone, Jim Meany, Coach Matranga, Robert Agnew and Carl Chalfoux. Back row: (left to right) Steve Powers, Chuck O'Hagerty, Tom Belleau, Mike Farmer and Ron Pietras.

SPRAGUE EMPLOYEES ENJOY SKI TRAILS



Ann Archambault of General Accounting pauses for a moment on one of the trails at Dutch Hill.



A member of the famous Dutch Hill Ski Patrol is Bill Martin of Production Engineering.



Observing the day's activities are Roger Ottman of Prod. Engineering and Zig Nash, Foreman of Misc. Dry Assembly Parts Prep.



Dave Gilmore of ICFS department, and Sandy Scully of Sales, enjoy a well deserved rest between trips down the trails.

Photos by Bill Martin

Departmental News . . .



High Quality

by Millie Conroy

Hi the weeks do fly by. Pretty soon no more snow—just spring. Oh boy, where is that corner. It is just around one of them we know. But 'til it does get here the cold bug is taking his turn at all of us. Gertrude Schmidt, Ella Nary, Mary Burlingham and Paul Sanford have all had a turn. By the way, Paul, was that chair worn the other day? Josephine Petrovich sure makes a "trim" figure these days. She makes us all envious. She says it's easy to lose—just don't eat! Poor Ann Fortin just can't do it. Those chocolates always tempt her. Annette Hinkell worried about driving this winter but has decided to give lessons next year. Her motto—just leave early. Hello to Millie Patryn and Helen Delise who are on our sick list. Hurry back, we miss you! Welcome to Della Pilling, Viola Crofts, Rena Braman and Connie Bush. Hope you like working with us. If all the girls in High Quality Rolling aren't the best dancers on the floor, they'll know why—anyone for tango lessons? Don Tanguay almost got a car he didn't need—he nodded his head at a car auction recently and the auctioneer thought it was a bid.

So long and good luck to Leonard Lewitt, our former foreman, and welcome to Jack O'Leary. Good Luck to everyone involved in the changes at Brown Street. Esther Smith spent her vacation at home. She had to take it early because she has another one coming up this year—lucky girl! Laurie Conroy cheers the loudest at the bowling alleys—her screams make the pins fall. Amy Bryant, Art VanSteenburg and Mr. Cronin are all moved into their new offices. Very

nice! Gertrude Schmidt is the proud possessor of a back warmer made for her by Mae Veazie on that new sewing machine. Angie Granger has a new hair-do—very becoming. That sparkling new smile belongs to Mary Burlingham. Congratulations to St. Joseph High School on winning the city championship. That's it for now—so long 'til next time.

Industrial Oils

by Ann Heath, Martha Clark, & Irene Pigeon

Congratulations to Jack Shields and Kenny Russell on their promotions. We are all very happy for you. It was sad leaving our old room but we enjoy our new quarters but we do miss the Clorinol crowd. It is nice to see Frances Rocray and Gert Bohl. We also want to welcome Alice Beaudry, Andy Gigliotti, Bina Burdick and Helen Murphy. What gives Clem Mossolani all his pep? Do you take One-A-Day vitamins? What would Fran Delise do without his piece of chocolate pie every afternoon.

Bill Spencer's a walking man. I wonder why? The fellas all got shook up when Stella Charbonneau brought her picture in taken when she was eighteen. The fellas wish time would turn back to the 'roaring twenties'.

Sandia Coolers

by Evelyn Jones

Hi everybody! News this month is coming to you from ghost town. Most of our girls have been transferred to other departments. Good luck and hurry back. Joan Giroux has accomplished quite a feat—she became the mother of twins—a boy, Alan Francis and a girl, Laurie Jean. Best of luck and happiness to the family. It's going to take some doing to top that. Lydia Spooner found a quarter in her hamburger. That's either a good money back quarter or the price is right. Girls, have you noticed Gus Boucher's complexion lately?

Isn't it lovely! He tells me it's all due to those new cake facials he's been having. Evelyn Jones would like to say thank you to all the people who were so helpful after the fire in her home. Good health to Dorothy Baker and Frances Pitoniak. Dot and Fran have both been in the hospital for surgery. What's this about Pauline Buletti and Evelyn Jones becoming bosom buddies? Good luck to Rena Braman who has left us to join the Hi-Quality Department. Ceil Maxmillian should be well trained by Halloween. She watches over that boiling pot in her corner all day long. We hope Lucille Miller's grandchildren are on the road to recovery. They have had a pretty bad winter. This is all for this month. See you next month with the latest news.

Fabmika and Mica

by Raymond Vachereau

First of all we would like to bid farewell to Catherine Scott and Theresa Burro who were laid off. Hope you will return real soon folks. Lots of luck to Andy Gigliotti on his new job in Industrial Oils. Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Frank Schmidt who became the proud parents of a baby girl, Diane Janine, born January 23rd. Glad to see David Murphy back to work on Brown Street.

Ind. Oil Cover Assembly

by Isabell Withenac

We wish to welcome the newcomers to our department: Sara Brown & Mary Milanese. Hope you like working with us. We also said goodbye to Leonard Lewitt, our foreman, and wish him a lot of luck. Marty Kelly has a very hard time to wake up in the morning so if anyone has a large cow bell he will be more than pleased to get it. Ann O'Dell has thought of putting skis on her car to come down High Street. Barb Crandall is back from Florida and looking wonderful. Lillian Flaherty's husband is on the road to recovery after his operation. We wish him the best of luck.

Industrial Oils Rolling

by Emina Sweeney

This month we welcome Bernadette Vachereau, Doris Harris, Laura Fortin and Rita Rosch to our department. Ronnie Hurlburt has taken a new job on the automatic rolling machine and Louis Bastien is our service man. Helen Unis is sporting a beautiful pearl-diamond engagement ring. She'll be married Easter Monday. We also welcome Norman Chenail as our new foreman. We will miss our little peppery Kenny Russell, but I guess he will still be around. This month we present a beautiful pair of twin daughters of Bernadette Vachereau and Alexander of Maintenance at Union Street. Helen Falco is on the floor as instructress. Your reporter was too busy last month to write. Your



"Reach, pardner!" These two young gunmen are Michael and David Tatro, sons of Cecilia Tatro of Sandia.



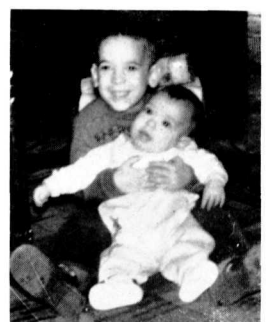
A real little beauty is Mary Ellen Gardzina, daughter of Mary Gardzina formerly of Employee Relations.

reporter's son has opened a dining room known as the Zia Lodge in New Mexico. If any of you girls are interested in Mexican foods, drop down that-a-way. I hope to! We would like to extend belated congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Felix Dupre who celebrated their 50th anniversary on February 7th. Rose also celebrated her birthday on February 5th.

Clorinol

by Alice Dupuis & Frances Guyette

We're very sorry we did not sign in for the last two Logs. Hope that we can make up. We would like to welcome all of the new help in Clorinol Rolling and Assembly. We'd like to mention them individually but there are just too many of them. Congratulations are in order for Kenny Russell on his promotion to General Foreman, but we are sorry to lose him as our foreman. We wish you the best of luck, Kenny. Also we welcome Norman Chenail as our new foreman. Lots of luck, Norman. Congratulations to Rita DiFalco on the birth of her baby girl. We hope that Mary O'Neil enjoys her vacation taking care of her granddaughter—and a quick recovery to her daughter, Shirley. If there is very little news in the Log it's because Clorinol is booming so that your reporters are not able to contact each and everyone. Please if you have any news that you would like to have put in the Log, see your reporter. Thank you—so long for now!



John and James Maroni are the sons of Marie of General Accounting and grandsons of Annie Maroni of Shift Registers.

Betty Fleury and Jane Lanzo—and to you John Mahoney—we hope your big toe gets better. What happened to the boys in the stock room? We haven't seen them since Christmas. Millie Blanchard is keeping her fingers crossed. She thinks this is going to be a big year. Jean Maselli played a trick on Art Mathews one day when he came through the Filters on a tour. He was hard to convince but you didn't "lose" anything did you, Art? Yours truly had a Christmas party at her house and a good time was had by all. Betty Battersby won a prize and so did Mary Burzimat and Gloria Moors. Everybody went home with a present and feeling no pain.

Jean Maselli had a wonderful surprise one day when she looked up and found her daughter, Linda, standing in the doorway. She drove up from Petersburg, Virginia. John Davis is sporting a 1960 haircut—it looks good on you, John, but watch out you don't catch cold. Bob Hamilton came in to work one day looking like a duke. What was up, Bob? Larry Folino lines up his shoes and then his kids and says "Get to Work!"—and that is why Larry walks with his head down. His shoeshine hits him in the face. Joe Moreau is pretty busy these days in his new home. And to all you Shamrocks—a happy St. Patrick's Day.



Coil Winding -- Filters Development

by Lucy Kenney

Jean Maselli has joined the Coil Winders and she means it. We all wish Mary Zona a speedy recovery. Our sick list this month takes in Mabel O'Grady, Warren Randall, Jeanette Cady, Frank Stawarz, Alida Heath, Mabel Williams, Mike Morin,



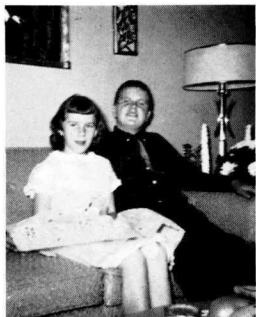
Little Kevin O'Neil is the son of Madeline, formerly of Material Control and grandson of Mary Zona and Mary O'Neil.



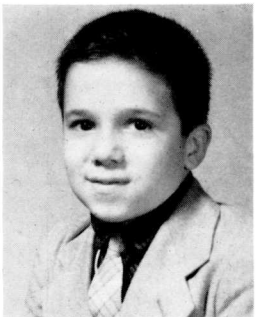
Meet Patty Sanecki, nine year old daughter of Lucy Sanecki of the Special Products Division on Union Street.



"See my new teeth", says little Sandralee Lewis, granddaughter of Helen Scarbo of Shift Registers, Union Street.



Posing in their Sunday best are Beverly and Alfred Skoruski, children of Norma of Magnetic Samples.



Louis Irace, nephew of Connie Lanoue has spent two 6 month vacations in Italy and now speaks like a native.



Edwin, Carey, MaryAnn and Dickey Dassatti are the grandchildren of Annie Maroni of Shift Registers.

Dry Rolling and Western Electric

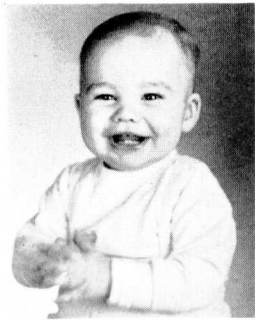
by Nancy Harvey

Flash No. 1 Health:

Hi everyone! Here we are again, in spite of the fact that the nasty little flu bug entered our ranks, and laid many of us low for a time. However, being tried and true Americans, we recovered quickly, and again we are all in the groove. Of course, Flo Danforth had a different ailment. She fell on the ice and hurt herself, and was incapacitated for several days. She, too, is back in the groove. Dot Short spent some time in the North Adams Hospital, but is now back with us, looking and feeling much better!

Flash No. 2 Welcome

We welcome all our new members: They are: Eleanor Alibozek, Florence Dupre, Evelyn Ciempa, Lucy Ciempa,



Little Scott Garvie is the grandson of Mary Dean of Sandia, Sam Dean of Ind. Oils and Yvonne Garvie of Beaver Street.



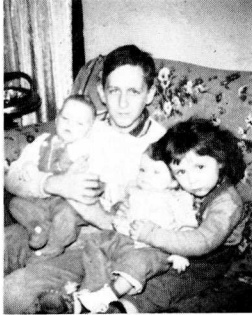
Barbara and Beryl Shaw are the grandchildren of Harry Embry of Centrifuge and Sophia of Metal Clad Finish.



About to take off on a tour is little Kimberly Mumford, granddaughter of Emily Mumford of Industrial Oils.



Four "generations" in one family include Mrs. Richard Davis, Shirley Noring of Magnetic Samples, little Richard, Jr. and Mrs. Robert Dunn.



Gordon, Robin, and twins Tracy and Craig are the children of Ruth Edmonds of Dry Tubular Finish and grandchildren of Al Brouillett.



Kevin Andrew Brien is the 9 month old grandson of Lena Copeland of Retail Sales, and Jim of R & E.

Martha Robare, Marion Senecal, Betty Nichols, Jeannette Trela and Mary Burziami.

Flash No. 3 Mystery of the Pop Corn Kids:

It all began when the girls got talking on the subject of what they munch on while watching TV in the evening. The majority seemed to go for popcorn, but there was a hitch to it. Mary Scott made it night after night, but it never seemed to turn out very well. Mary Richardello was having some trouble too. Marion Caron had just bought a new electric popper, and was having terrific results. Naturally the other girls were envious. So Mary Scott went out and bought a new electric popper too. But alas! The results were the same as before—scraggly - skimpy - tough popcorn! So the case seemed to be an unsolvable one. Not dismayed by all this Mary Scott brought some of her corn in for Marion Caron to pop. This was done, and the results were the same—scraggly - skimpy - tough popcorn. Marion Caron then brought in some of her corn for Mary Scott to pop. Result? White, delightful to look at. Finally the solution was reached! The end came to the popcorn misery. It seems the corn kernels have to be first grade, yellow, and not pale kernels from field corn. Now everyone

is enjoying their TV these evenings, probably eating potato chips or peanuts!!

Flash No. 4 The Hep Cats:

Phyllis Schmidt is a new member of our group, and she is "hep" to just about everything that's "hep" these days. In fact, she has instituted a policy for keeping her co-workers "hep" also. She first got the girls started on a but ble gum chewing contest, and believe me, some of the girls are getting pretty good at this art! Then came the morning she told us of her secret ambition to become a drummer. So—at noontime, Mary Esposito went upstreet, and bought her a small drum. At rest period, Phyllis demonstrated her ability, and Anna Toniatti entertained with a tap dance. At the end of the day, we casually observed Mary Esposito, Anna Toniatti and Phyllis Schmidt all doing a trick tap dance, and we decided there and then that Phyllis can bring new "pep" to those who are "hep"!

Flash No. 5 Latest News

Mary Scott took off on January 29th for a month of California sunshine. Rita Girardi became the proud grandmother of a grandson on January 27th. This young man is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Tom Petro. Tommy formerly worked with us. Bob Delisle has left us to go to Check Inspection. He will be missed by all of us, but we wish him the very best of everything in his new venture. Marjorie Callahan's son, George O'Neill, will be married to Mary Lou Goodermote on February 6th.

Flash No. 6 Farewell:

Farewell for now, but while you're waiting for the next issue—remember this.

"Little pay check in a day, You and I will go away, To some gay and festive spot, I'll return, but you will not!"

Filters

by Ruth Haskins & Alice Monette

As we start the month of February we find the following on the sick list: Warren Randall, Betty Fleury and Gertrude Pedercini. We hope they will all soon be with us again. Ray Belding and Mabel O'Grady were able to return from their sick leaves

and we were happy that they are well again. Mabel Williams brought in a doll which is an exact replica of her daughter Beverly as a bride. We all admired it and thought what a lovely keepsake she has. We are all glad to hear that Mary Zona, who has been a patient at the North Adams Hospital is improving and is home again. Several of Mary's co-workers in this department have been to see her and they all say she looked like a bride in her lovely new robe and bedjackets she received as gifts. Mary's friends requested songs played for her on the local radio station too! The Anniversary Waltz was played in honor of her 34th wedding anniversary. Rose Lazarczyk has a new grandchild—another boy! Marie Lemoine and Grace Sherry drove to Worcester recently to visit Marie's daughter and family. Robert Siciliano, son of Frances, recently spent his mid-year recess at his home. Robert is a student at the Citadel, a military college in South Carolina. "Red" Cirone's son thumbed rides home from Brown University one week-end and managed to get to Shelburne Falls when his luck ran out. He telephoned his father, "Come and get me, dad, I'm in Shelburne Falls. I've been waiting for an hour and I'm frozen, so hurry!"

When Jean Maselli's married daughter from Virginia came to visit her mother recently, Jean actually didn't recognize her own daughter at first! Jean says the new hair-do was the reason, but we say who else could this happen to but our Jean?

Dry Tubular Finish

by Marjorie Hauptfleisch

We welcome Florence Hunter, Carol Robare and Margaret Guyette back. These three girls have been out of this department for a long time. Helen LeSage's son, Paul, is to undergo an operation soon. We all wish him a speedy recovery. Ruth Edmonds has four nice children. You have every right to be proud, Ruth. We are still waiting for a picture of Isabelle Mazinski's two granddaughters. How about it, Isabelle?

Retail Sales

by Barbara King

Lorraine Lavigne was re-elected



All set for a ride in her new car is Brenda Suthers, 3 year old daughter of Ed of Western Electric.

our department representative in the Union. She was re-elected with a large majority of the votes. We give you our heartiest congratulations, Lorraine. Congratulations also to Larry Kupiec who was married on February 6th to Miss Daisy Sobon. Larry was transferred from this department recently and we were sorry to see you go, Larry. We wish you every happiness. Nancy LeBeau's daughter, Judy, a senior at Drury High School has been doing quite well in skiing competitions. She placed fourth in a field of 102 competitors at the Bromley Ski resort in Manchester, Vermont on January 23rd, and she came in third at a skiing competition in Johnston, Vermont on January 30th winning a gold medal.

FP Assembly

by Grace McConnell

Josephine Magin has started off the year for the 1960 vacations. She spent her two weeks in Pawtucket, R. I. While there she received word that she had become the great-grandmother of twin boys, Thomas and Timothy, born to her granddaughter, June Barnhart Barbeau, at Plattsburg, N. Y. on January 13th. We hope that by the time this Log is published, we will have Doris Roberts back with us. She spent a week in the hospital for X-rays and observation and at this time is convalescing at her home. We miss you, Doris. Something new has been added. For the past three weeks someone has been treating the welding and ring can line. It sure is hard to die! I'm very sorry I don't have any more news. Everyone is just relaxing after the holidays. No parties, although the snow has brought up a lot of talk about a sleighride—but nothing has materialized as yet.

Western Electric and Misc. Dries

by Ella Genesi and Emily Wlodyka

On Sunday, January 24th, Yours Truly (E.W.) motored to Hartford, Conn. to the Bushnell Memorial Auditorium which is directly across from the State Capitol. There we witnessed a brilliant performance of the "Polish State Folk Ballet" (Slask) of Warsaw, Poland. The entire ensemble was composed of a 100 handsome men and women ranging from age 17 to 20. Even though the affair

lasted only two hours (could have sat through 2 more) so much rhythm, harmony and melody were crammed into those 2 short hours!! The young ladies most arresting feature was their very long and beautiful hair. Costumes worn throughout the entire performance were varied, colorful and lovely.

The symphony orchestra did a superb job of accompanying the dancers and singers. For the "Grand-Finale" the entire cast gave a beautiful rendition of "God Bless America"—yes, and in English too—which brought the house down, so thunderous was the applause!! They sang with so much feeling and sincerity that it made shivers run up and down one's spine.

It really made me feel very proud to be a "Pole" and also very grateful to be living in this wonderful country, America.

A sincere welcome is extended to Jack Lavigne who is a newcomer to our department. Congratulations to Della Remillard's son-in-law, John Cardonell, who succeeded Otto Kleiner as president of the Forest Park Country Club in Adams. News Flash! Maggie Taft, Jo Collins, Gus Jammallo and Louis Daub have formed a barber shop quartet and are taking in bookings (ahem). They claim they'll go most anywhere!! Even as far as Clarksburg? Well blow me down! They'll even go to Florida if they get enough calls for it. (Florida Mountain of course, ha! ha!) The black cotton stocking fad has caught on, but good, in our room. Several of the ladies have been wearing them quite steadily. Some of us are wondering whether they're candidates for some novitiate (but how can they be, they're married!) or might be they're in mourning? Well, anyway, all kidding aside, they do have their practical side. They're much warmer than nylons ever will be. We would like to wish Benny Parrino a speedy recovery. Just keep remembering, Benny that we're all pulling for you, all the way. In passing we would like to leave this little thought behind: "The most serious problem in life seems to be that we get old too soon and wise too late."

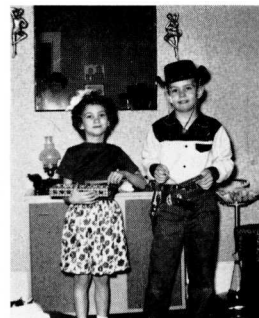
Sales

by Barbara Pierce and Marie Ziemlak

To open our column this month I would like to welcome Barbara Pierce



Pauline and Aline Vachereau are the very attractive twin daughters of Bernadette Vachereau of Industrial Oil Rolling on Brown Street.



Two other Suthers children also showing their Christmas presents are Katherine and Michael.



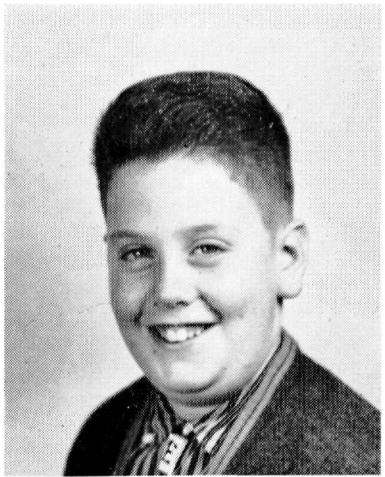
Paula and Lesa Tremblay are the daughters of Anna of Shipping and granddaughters of Emma Vivori.

back to our office and to the Log staff. We are glad to have you back with us, Barb... We would also like to welcome Marcia Voyer and Bruna Vivori to our staff. Marcia has taken Ann Conroy's position working for Mr. Anderson. Ann recently left to join her husband in Philadelphia. We hope you will like it here, Marcia. Bruna has come back to work for J. Gumbleton and J. Campbell. Glad to have you back, Bruna... Naturally along with the 'welcomes' we must also say 'farewell'. Among the girls that we must say goodbye to are Cynthia Morin, who is leaving to assume a new position elsewhere. Cynthia was presented with a cashmere sweater and blouse from the girls in the office... We also bid farewell to Jo Ann Mann who is leaving to go to Kentucky. We all wish the best of luck to all three girls... Glancing around the office, we see Florence Bua and Jeanette Vinclette wearing their very pretty maternity clothes. Congratulations, girls... So long until next month.

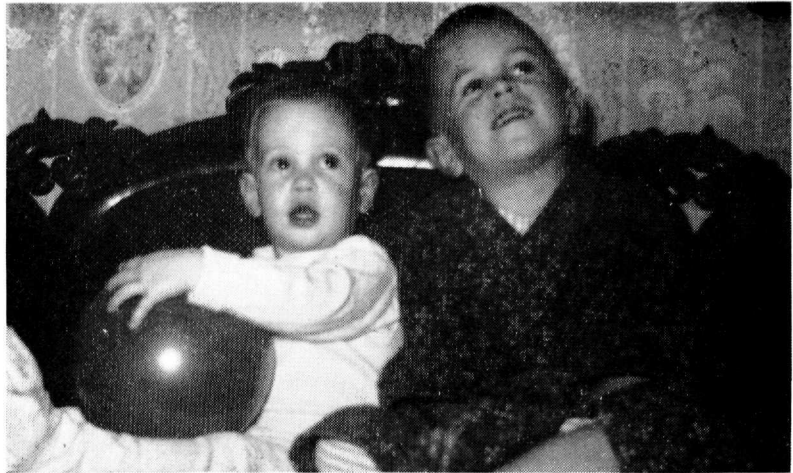
Incoming Inspection

by Alda Roy

Can you guess who has been skating at Noel Field with his children—none other than Tom Martin. Ruth Morrissey and Charles Bourdon have also been participating in this sport. Ruth's daughter, Judy, is quite a speed skater. She was entered in skating competition in Pittsfield and Boston... C. Bourdon did you ever reach the top of Mt. Everest? It seems that Charles was dreaming about climbing Mt. Everest. Have you run out of gas lately? Charles went out of here one evening and just made it to his yard and then putt, putt—no gas!... Bill Fortini and Yours Truly are quite proud of our sons who are on basketball teams. Bill Fortini, Jr. is on Lamb's Stationery, YMCA League, and Glen Roy is on St. Peters, St. Joseph's League. Bill, just because John Cantoni one of our inspectors, is Bill, Jr.'s coach, don't be cornering him to show favoritism—and while we are on the subject of basketball we would like to say that P. Collins and John Cantoni are playing with the 1060th Division. Don't be discouraged about just playing for a few minutes,



Eugene Beaupre is the son of Eugene of Production Engineering and nephew of Carmela Mancuso and Peggy Brule.



We wonder what has attracted the attention of young Bobby and Billy Bascom. Perhaps their dad could tell us. He is Allyn Bascom of Sprague Products.

Phil, you can always have John put you on this team—Lamb's Stationery!

Sprague Products

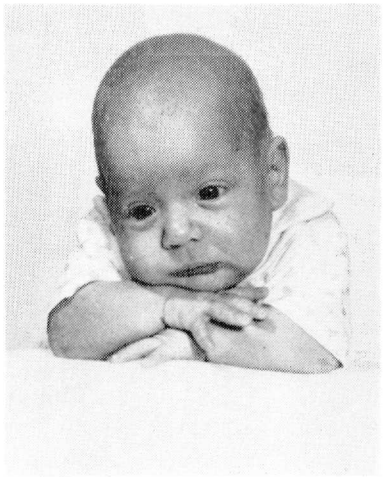
by Peggy Brule & Carolyn Mullen

Prenuptial parties were held at the Taconic Restaurant for Carolyn Lataif, Fran Kelly and Jean Lancto last month... Best wishes to our new brides: Carolyn Lataif Mullen, Fran Kelly Livesey, Beverly Andrews Little and to Jean Lancto who is to be married next week, February 27th to Ernest Dube of Pittsfield, and Nancy Petravice who is engaged to Richard Rousseau of Adams. She will marry in September... Our congratulations to Virginia Spencer on the birth of twin daughters... Belated happy birthdays to: Mary Lasson, Eileen Gillooly and Marilyn Wojciek... Did you know that Al Bascom's wife is a beautiful seamstress? He has been sporting around on week-ends with beautiful wool shirts she made for him. Very nice, Al... Sandra Triggs purchased a car at an amazingly low price. She recently made a trip to Boston in it with her family and everything was just fine. What a bargain! Good going, Sandra... Our sincere sympathy to Joy Dempsey and Jean Callan on the recent deaths in their families... A speedy recovery to Dick Lull's little boy, Kevin, who was operated on... Ann Weyers, Marjorie McConnell and Claire Farinon have been added to the night shift. Hope you enjoy your work, girls... We would like to thank Joy Dempsey for her wonderful co-operation in helping us with our column... We leave you with this saying: "Never put off 'til tomorrow, what you can do today."

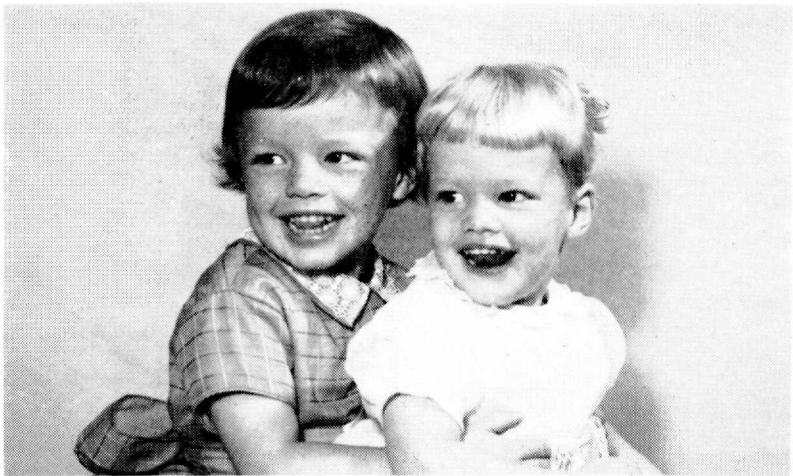
Maintenance

by Dorothy Buzzell

We are pleased to welcome Harriet Hyndman, Catherine Scott, Gladys Jennings and Lucille Hodecker to the Ageing Group. Hope you enjoy working with us, girls... Mr. & Mrs. Emile Jobin and Mr. & Mrs. William Falcon are driving to Florida to spend their vacation. Emile is supervisor of the Millwright Shop and Bill is Foreman of the Pipe Shop... Melvin Beaudin who works in the Electrical Shop is flying to South Carolina on his vacation to visit his daughter...



In a very pensive mood is little Jerry Pilling, grandson of Joe of Plating and Della of High Quality.



All dressed up in their party best and very happy about it too are Lynn, 4, and Karen, 2½, Lavendol, lovely little daughters of Len Lavendol of Test Equipment.

It is good to see Orrin Hall back to work in the Millwright Shop after his recent illness.

General Accounting

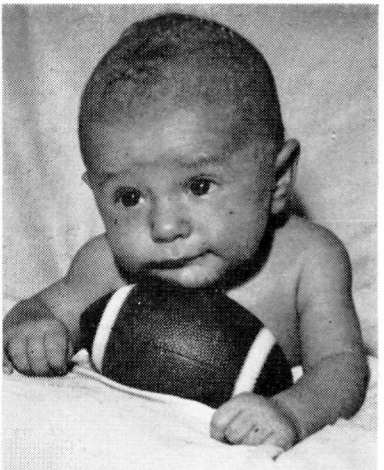
by Sid Taft and Lucille DiLorenzo

Now that winter's here and we have a lot of snow on the ground, we have the skiers of the office. Ann Archambeau is usually skiing with her boy friend, George, and then we find that Barb Tash is getting to be a permanent fixture at Dutch Hill on week-ends. She received some of her ski equipment for Christmas and her birthday. She's getting to be a regular snow bunny. Lots of luck with your skiing, Barb and Ann... Sandy Petro has left us to await the arrival of the stork. She was presented with a layette for the new baby. Pat Brosseau has taken her place... We also have a couple of other newcomers to General Accounting. Brenda Bush is taking Peggy Lindner's place at the Mail Desk and Nora Jaeschke is taking Jean Duprat's place. Peggy is taking Chummy Robert's place and Chummy is going to work in the Library. Jean is going to relax at home with her children. Chummy was presented with a skirt and blouse and Jean with a new pocketbook and some jewelry as a token of remembrance from the girls in General Accounting. We'll miss all of you... Chet Gallup's son, Skip, was recently married to Beverly Williams, formerly of this office. A few of us attended the wedding which was very beautiful... "Grandma Groan" is the new name for Vern Sprague. Vern recently bought some ice skates and is now engaging in the difficult art of once again being able to manipulate them. I'm sure she will verify that the ice just isn't as soft as it once was... Last of all we want to welcome back Maralyn Delisle who has returned after a brief illness. Hope you are now sitting pretty, Maralyn.

Formation

by Harry Trombley

Welcome to our department as newcomers Larry Kupiec, Charles Wilson, Michael Horan, Bernard Krause, Henry Felix, Joseph Dziok, and Ronald Battis. Welcome back to John Marra, Charles Jordan, Fred



We nominate young Arthur Thibert, Jr. for 1978 All-American. He is the nephew of Albert Barriere.



Danny, Debbie, and Beverly are the children of Dot Racette of Magnetic Winding and grandchildren of Bertha Moreau and Millie Racette.

Voghel and Mose Ducharme... And speaking of Mose Ducharme, he tells me he is really tired. In about four months time he went to Brown Street and back to Marshall Street Ceramics and then back to Brown Street and finally back to his 'old love' Formation... Cecil Johnson, formerly of this department, is a frequent visitor. He is now with Ceramics... George and Alice Senecal celebrated their 26th wedding anniversary on January 13th, and I might also mention that your reporter had a birthday on January 15th... Pat Patenaude's wife tells him it would be awfully lonesome if she didn't have him around. (The world's greatest griper).

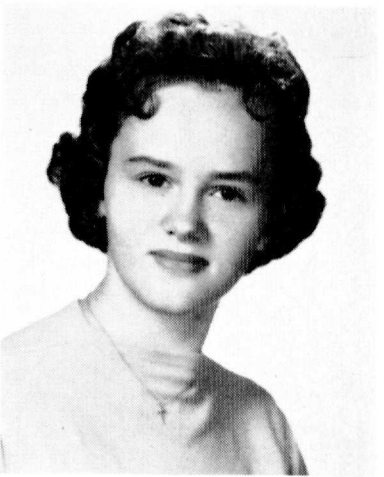
Test Equipment

by Carmela Mancuso

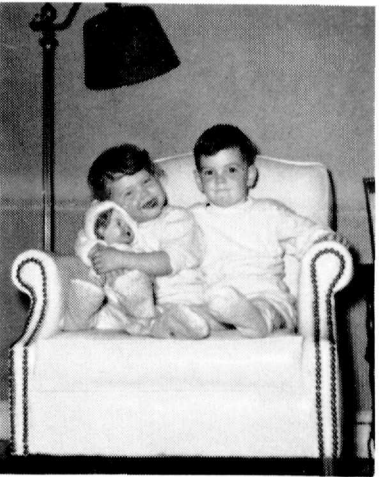
Our welcome mat is out to Mrs. Lillian Alexander. We all hope you enjoy working with us... Orlando Lupianez has left us for a two weeks' vacation at Puerto Rico. We are all looking forward to hearing all about it... Nothing like having your own hunting grounds in your back yard. It seems John Seacord has just the yard for it, and hunters have already found out about it... Harvey Kaplin and his wife, Judy, seem to be enjoying our winter sports these days... Also Neil Buske and friends who just made a skating rink in their back yard—and all are invited to use the rink. Neil started off with a skating party so we all can get started... We are all glad to hear that John Pennock's son and Len Lavendol's girl are both on the road to recovery... The month of January sure has been a month for babies in our department. Ken Lefave had a son on January 6th, Joseph Silvera a daughter on January 15th and William Novacek a daughter on January 21st. Carmela Mancuso also was a new auntie on January 23rd. It seems Carmela Mancuso's family tree has been growing. There are now 28 grandchildren in the family... Arthur Murray's of Test Equipment include John Aldrich and Bruno Aimi. Cha, Cha, Cha!... Belated birthday greetings to John Pennock, Bill Meiklejohn, Charlie Lincoln, Donald Begnoche and Walter Hilchey.



Santa Claus greets a friend as he passes out Christmas presents at a party during the holidays.



A most attractive young lady is Carolyn Bessette, daughter of Gerry Bessette of Magnetic Winding on Union Street.



'Sissie' and Carl Triggs are the children of Sandra of Sprague Products and grandchildren of Angie Carleton of Magnetics.

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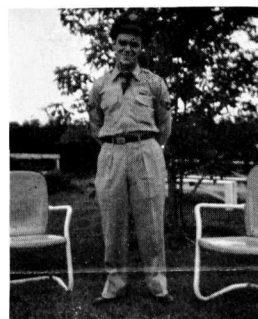
by Jan Harriman

I realize that this reporter has been lax about not having a column in the Log for the past two issues, but what can one do when there is no news. This department is noted for lengthy stories about what happened—to other people. What about our gang??? Here are some news flashes we might see in the future: Tony Chenail, 20 year old daughter of June of Advertising, is the winner of the gold medal for the downhill event of the 1964 Winter Olympics—and all of this on one ski... Norm Favreau and his favorite redhead, Carole, were signed by Desilu as replacements for the "I Love Lucy" show—new title will be "Keep Your Guard Up"... Kathy Eldred is now mistress of ceremonies for a new TV show—Up at 4 am—aimed at the Future Farmers of America... Flash—Gidget Tanguay's Ronnie has just been made admiral of the 19th fleet... Pearl McGovern is summer replacement for columnist Earl Wilson. Her column will be known as Pearl's Earls... Milt Cohen won the Irish Speestakes—he's giving it all to the "Make Dora Happy" fund... Mitzi Ozolins and Nora Zauls are giving classes in Latvian. Special words taught with a minimum of study—ask Norm what words he learned... Mary Jane Colo has purchased a block



Jo-Anne McBride, daughter of Gladys McBride of Paper Rollings, is to be married to Frances Michalski on August 27.

of stock in a new construction firm Don's Heavy Equipment Co.... Bernie Tatro started a Turkish Bath new location, Marshall Street, Bldg. 21.... Karen VanSteenburg is managing a travel agency with guided tours throughout the U. S. A. The guide? Karen, of course.... Jan Harriman is the new head of Janice Advertising—an up-and-coming nut house.... Tom Petro's son was chosen All-American Quarterback for 1979.... Helen Goodermote is a model for sun-tan-lotion—the lotion with mo-



Airman 2/c Francis Risch is the son of Ceil Magnani of Western Electric. At present he is at home on leave.



Betty Battersby, Gloria Moors, Jeanette Cady, Millie Blanchard, Mary Burzimati, Virginia Delisle, Esther Moretyini, Stella Beauchamp, Lucy Kenney, Jane Karrey, and Florence Fulginiti pose at a party held during the holidays.



From left to right Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dean, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Dupre, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mantello, Mr. and Mrs. John Mancini and Mrs. Margaret LaBonte.

tion.... Rita Curtin takes over a new improved peanut factory—nuts for every occasion.

FP Ovens and Cover Assembly

by Marguerite Daub and Edith Fields

Mary Roberts is back from her trip to Texas. She enjoyed it very much until she was taken sick with the virus. The weather was also against her. It rained every day until the day she left for home.... Emma McCuen is back at work after being out sick for the same reason.... Our foreman, Frank Gasset was out for two weeks with the virus, too.... Annie Peterson and Ellen LeFleche were also out sick. In fact only a few of us seemed to have been missed up until now.... Welcome back to Leona Haddad and Rita Stanton. Glad to have you back again, girls. We like having you around.... Ronnie Tatro enjoyed his two weeks' vacation the last two weeks of January. The weather was nice most of the time anyhow, Ron.... I also had one week and only had one snow storm to mar it so I enjoyed it also.

Check Inspection

by Betty Jangrow

Sure sign of Spring—Jim Lewis is ordering flower seeds and Norman Robare is landscaping his small plot of land for a flower garden.... Flowers always cause interesting comments. With Jane Gross's knowledge of arrangements the Check Inspector's group should have beautiful bouquets properly arranged come next Spring. Good luck fellows! It is an interesting hobby. As for Jane, we hope this coming season will bring many beautiful flower shows that she will attend.... This beautiful skiing weather is just what the skiers ordered, but be careful about that last ride if you are tired. It is just as well to be a sightseer as that is when accidents happen. Happy skiing to all.... We welcome Robert Delisle to the Check Inspection group. We'll have to get together to meet all our new inspectors. Good luck, co-workers!

Sprague International, Ltd.

by Suzanne Lemieux

From pills to the latest hair styles,

that's our news coverage this month.... In brief, Gayle Levenson claims that dad's pills at Hirsh's Drug Store are really super.... Take heed, William Adams, Myrna Harvey, Dot Belanger, Barbara Neville, Jo Ferris, and all others who were victims of the 'Bug'.... You too, Jean Gardzina, for the flu or whatever else that could be ailing you.... He must have something for Barbara Neville's bruises and sore spots from skating, sledding, and bowling.... On the preventive medicine side of it, Jose Ferris claims that that proverbial apple a day does do away with doctors as she brings in bigger and better apples every day from Everybody's Market from which hubby Harry keeps her well supplied.... As for New Faces, we have Christine Ameen to welcome to our international set.... Then, there's Nancy Kelly who is moving so fast that we know of only a few of her activities.... She was bridesmaid on January 30th for Carolyn Lataif, and a hectic wedding we hear it was, with a couple of the lads swooning during the ceremony, and Miss Kelly remaining very calm through it all; she was also godmother for Sheila Nancy Kelly, her brother's progeny, and Doris Marie Hancock, a cousin's baby.

One of the die-hards, Sandy Segala, is still attending parties—this time, the annual dinner-dance of an Italian Society in Pittsfield.... On the other hand, Marilyn LoPresto has finally put away her holiday dancing shoes and settled down for a long winter's rest.... The ladies who recently tried some new hair styles had varying opinions about them.... Barbara Neville, who was quite happy with hers, came in on Monday with hardly a trace of it left.... Claims she slept on it, whereas most of us, of course, usually don't sleep or else take off our wigs.... Alas, Nancy Kelly was not happy with hers, especially when she met a very dear old friend on the street who never recognized her—or was it that carful of people laughing their heads off when she stopped for a traffic signal? Anyhow, she promptly washed her "Madame Butterfly" coiffure down the drain when she reached home.... Myrna Harvey tells us that her 17-month old daughter, Donna, is shaping up to be quite a cook—Seems that when Grandma Harvey's canary laid an egg the other day, Donna pulled out the frying pan, and thank goodness Grandma talked her out of her culinary inclinations.

Meanwhile, back on Marshall Street, the keys were in George Ferran's coat pocket IN the locked office and George was shivering OUTSIDE the office when suddenly, the inevitable—one smashed window, and then George and the keys were BOTH inside the office.... Jack and the Beanstalk had nothing on Bertha Richards and her amaryllis.... There is still a little clearance before the prodigious plant reaches the ceiling, but not much.... As for our Pizza King, Ken Haskins, the reports are that his concoctions are a delight—but he'll have to pass the samples

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Ernest and Marianne Godbout are the grandchildren of Emile Goyette of Formation. Their uncle is Gil Harris of FP Ovens.



Diane, Spring and Bruce Dean pose around the Christmas tree. They are the children of James Dean of Misc. Paper Assembly on Brown Street.

around before receiving a ribbon from us!.... Nereo Agostinelli heeded the call of the South and visited North Carolina for a few days, leaving us sturdy New Englanders behind to brave the North wind and the snows by ourselves—As for George Ferran he managed to go even farther—Mexico; and if he has checked any of our Northern weather reports, who knows when he'll come back!

UNION STREET Echoes

SPD Offices

by Nicky Utman

It now seems to be the season when many are taking to the slopes—do hope there are no catastrophic results. Along with the enthusiastic cheers from our skiers, many complaints are heard from the shovelling class. It has been rumored that some of our Stanfordinians have come to work via snowshoes.... In spite of the festive gatherings held in honor of them, we will all miss our recently departed coworkers, namely: Flo Clough, Terry Bellini and Carolyn Ey.... We would like to welcome to the ranks Will Harris, Milt Knights, Henrietta Langlois—and in the Lab we can now see new faces belonging to Frank Bowden, Tom Russell, Lionel Forbert and Arnold Alderman.

Magnetic Finishing

by Helen Burdick

Hello again! Sure hope everybody is enjoying this grand winter. I think it has been a great one so far—hardly any snow or ice, but of course we can't tell what's ahead of us.... By the time this is off the press, our Terry Morin will be a missus. Good luck, Terry, and you too, Jack. Maybe Terry will be down out of the clouds by next month and we can hear all about the cute little apartment and all.... What happened to you, Don Raina? You aren't the bridegroom to be—you're just their supervisor. I heard by the grapevine that you got excited or something and came to work with two different socks. They both were gray but the patterns were different.... Don, I hear that you have quite a sporty crew working for you, Bertha Oltch has taken up bowling at the new alleys in Pittsfield and her score is over 200 now. Bill MacAdoo skates. He adores skating so much he even goes by himself—skates around the rink a few times and then goes home. Last of all is Emily Rogowski—she's an expert with her fingers. She's always knitting little things but for her nephew.... Oh yes, Don Raina and Bill MacAdoo took their better halves to Boston a short time ago. When they went to dinner I hear the waitress just put the silver on the table in a pile so the boys had to set up the table. Did you leave a large tip....

Helen Murphy and Yours Truly have become grandmas again. It's Helen's third grandchild and my eighteenth.... Our bowling team, the



Agnes Norcross (left) daughter of Opal of Dry Rolling, relaxes with her cousin Nancy Tatro.

Merriettes, had a personal shower for Terry Morin at the Taconic and she received some nice gifts plus a few gags.... Marion Parrino must have a wonderful memory. I hear her all day reciting poetry to Jack Gottardi. Jack, listen to her well so you can recite it to Pat.... Oh, by the way, Caroline Wolkowicz is a proud grandmother again. She now has 2 grandchildren.... Don't be downhearted Rena Smith, you'll be a grandmother some day. All good things come slow.

Magnetic Winding

by Elaine Girard and Jean MacDonald

Belated birthday greetings to Ruth Fontaine, Eva Cyr, and Isabelle Lipinski. We hope you all feel one year younger.... A friendly hello to Joan Mahar and Mary Alice Lefebvre. Sure hope you enjoy the gang.... Elaine Girard and Clara Belleau traveled to Boston. By all reports they had a 'fabulous' trip.... Blanche Hebert looks real sporty driving her new Plymouth.... Everyone is glad to hear that Jeannette Boucher's husband is on the way to recovery from his recent illness.... Congratulations to Gray Christie who was made our new supervisor. We sure hope you have a great deal of patience.... Best of luck and congratulations are in order for Margaret Perreault's mother-in-law and father-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Alfred Perreault, who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary.... See you all next month!

Magnetic Samples

by Shirley Noring

Goodbye and good luck to Alice Badorini who transferred upstairs to R & E recently.... The old saying that everything happens in threes certainly holds true in this department. Mary Haley, Janice Richards and Lucy Barone have left us temporarily to await the stork. We all wish them well.... Christmas has come and gone but one would never have believed it if they had seen Deil Lilly's car the other Saturday after she and Shirley Noring had visited all the bargain spots on a shopping spree.... Now that he's all moved and settled, Larry Hiser is catching up on lost sleep.... We're glad to hear that Germaine Mineau's little boy, Paul, is now home from the hospital



Posing nicely in their brother and sister outfits are Lynn Marie and Loren Joseph Cimonetti, grandchildren of Ida Cimonetti of Pulse Transformer Assembly and Alice Dami of Paper Rolling.



Bobby, Gloria and David Phaneuf are the children of Theresa Phaneuf of Pulse Transformers.

and feeling much better... Ceil Biros is planning an excursion to Washington, D. C. It's a big city, Ceil. Don't get lost.

Pulse Transformer Assembly

by Barbara Rondeau

Hi everyone! I missed last month's report. I am sure glad things are back to normal at home and at work after the holidays... With the beginning of the New Year, we can see Nancy Guerino spending most of the day in bed resting, as she has taken a leave from work as a sort of early retirement. Lucky girl! Good luck in whatever you may do, Nancy... Welcome to Ida Scaia and Genevieve Gorczakoski and also Norman Monette to our line... The flu has made its attack on so many of our co-workers that Alda Ariazi has made up masks for those who have colds... She says she doesn't want to get it again so, if you need to be instructed, wear a mask. It doesn't hurt, honest!... Bernice Planter is making a new record time of getting to work before the buzzer sounds both morning and noons. It's tough, but she's doing a good job. How about a jet powered car, Bernice. That should help some. Well, Bernice, don't feel too bad because your reporter is right behind you... Mary Roy, will you please show John Petri your new dance step. He is quite impressed with it... Let's hope Spring will be early... I will see you next month. So long!



Metal Clad Assembly

by Lillian Gainer

Greetings once more from Chuck's room upstairs... And to swing right into this month's reporting, we want to congratulate proud grandmother, Alice Contois. She became a grandmother for the 17th time with the birth of a daughter, Suzanne, on January 23rd to her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. & Mrs. Wilfred Contois of Greylock. They also have three sons... Millie and Chuck Curtis

celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary on January 5th. From the lovely gift and card which Millie received we can certainly say that their happiness and sentiment have never changed... Helen Baxter had a pleasant reunion recently when her son and his family, the Rev. Harry Baxter, motored up from Plains, Pa. Rev. Baxter is pastor of the Congregational Church there... All of us send our greetings and wishes for a speedy recovery to our co-worker Jennie Pincombe who is hospitalized after her recent mishap in the parking lot. Mrs. Pincombe has been gifted with flowers, cards, gifts and visits which helped to make her confinement a little more bearable and cheerful... Still recuperating at home after recent surgery is our co-worker, Ada Harrington, who soon will be in our midst once more... Gladys Kilbride and Betty Chevalier have left our room to work downstairs. We wish them success in their new jobs... If ever you need a capable chauffeur just call on Karl Briggs!

Marilyn Daub, our ever genial check inspector, celebrated her birthday on January 28th and was pleasantly surprised with gifts, cards, and a most delectable chocolate birthday cake which was made by Maria MacDonald. Maria is out on leave but sent the cake in by her husband, Clyde. This was one time that we put something over on our snappy jokester... May we at this time express our deepest sympathy to our former co-worker, Mary Bennett, on the death of her sister, Margaret Dempsey, who was a Sprague employee... Sue Pol-lone seems to be getting results with her new dieting campaign. We wish her lots of luck because Susie wants her newly acquired silhouette to do justice to the new Easter outfit she is looking forward to getting... Yvonne St. Cyr was a very proud but sad mother on January 2nd when she again bid good-bye to another son leaving for the service. This time it was her youngest son, Albert, 18, who had enlisted in the army and received basic training at Fort Dix, New Jersey. From there he will leave for Fort McClellan Chemical Entry School for advanced training under the Army's graduate specialist program. Albert, who attended Notre Dame school, is a graduate of St. Joseph's High School where he participated in the science fairs. He has two brothers, Ernest and Norman who are both Sprague employees... We are sorry to have our Pauline Barrett out ill and also Betty Romeo. We wish them a quick return to good health... What's happened lately? Claire Poirot and Nellie Krol seemed to have run out of jokes to play on one another. Another ditto for Mary Paoletti and Barbara Campedelli... Who was that glamour gal who just passed by—a movie star? To be sure no other than our own Marilyn Daub, who always seems to snag her unsuspecting relative, George Daub, in on her shenanigans. You've got to watch those relatives, George.

Every time we see Marion Marceau we are reminded of that "fresh as a

daisy just out of the bandbox look."... Portland, Maine has become a pretty important place on the map for Jennie Thompson now that daughter Barbara, son-in-law Emil Begiebing and cute little grandson Danny live there. Early one Saturday morning witnessed Jennie and her family wending their way to Portland to spend a pleasant week-end... Your Log reporter and Helen Lefebvre are just wondering when the stairs we trudge up each day on route to our department are going to start diminishing. This is all for now but we shall be coming your way again next month with the spirit of Spring and thoughts of Easter.

Hi-Reliability

by Marion Andrews

At this time I would like to welcome to our department Janet Mahar, Gladys Kilbride and Betty Chevalier... Alice Bonneville's daughter, Carole, was home for a week during semesters. Carole is a freshman at Notre Dame College, Manchester, New Hampshire... We wonder why Doris Monette blows on the sections after she solders them. You're going to run out of wind, Doris... Mary Konieczny was presented a birthday cake by the girls of the Hi-Rel line... We extend our sympathy to Pearl Luczynski on the death of her father... It is taking Eddie Konopka quite a long time to heal his leg from an injury he received sliding with his youngsters... When Mary Gleba runs errands upstairs, she should have a guide along with her. Why, Mary?

Metal Clad Finish

by Pat Roy and Wanda Wandrei

The 'no-good flu bug' has attacked this department. We do hope the girls who have escaped it will continue to do so... We in this department extend our deepest sympathy to the Dempsey family on their recent bereavement. Margaret was formerly employed in this department and was liked by one and all... We have two proud grandmothers—Sophia Embry has a new grandson and June Barnhart has twin grandsons... Ethel Fossor is out on sick leave. We hope she is feeling well and will be back to work soon... Lillian Giusti has been transferred to the Film Products Department. We all miss you, Lil, and hope you will be back with us soon... Our two check inspectors, Alice Senecal and Bea Pierce recently attended the Management Dinner with their husbands at Baxter Hall in Williamstown. From all reports they had a very enjoyable evening... We would like to welcome Raymond Wellspeak to this department and hope he enjoys working with us.

Misc. Paper Assembly

by Adele Solari

First of all we wish to welcome two more of our old girls. They are Amelia Couture and Eleanor Charbonneau. It's good to have you back with us... Millie Dean likes California very much. She had a wonderful time there with her sons and their families... Doris (Williams) Richards likes Flor-



A jolly young fellow is Wesley Philip Scalise, son of Milan of Quality Control on Marshall St.

ida. She says she would like to live there... Yvonne Day spent a week's vacation at home and so did Helen Harrington... Agnes Fitzgerald enjoyed having her daughter and her husband and baby spend the week with her... We also welcome back Marty Kulpa once more, but we do miss Ronald Couture who left us to go back to his old department... Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Spencer on the arrival of twin girls, Jan and Judith... By the way, I almost forgot—Yvonne Day and her husband are sporting a beautiful new Chevrolet. It's a nice looking car, Yvonne.

Hi-Rel Test and Ship

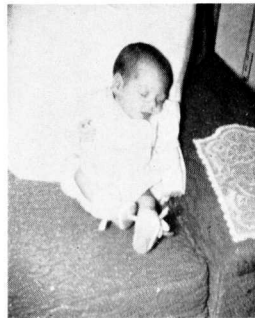
by Evelyn Luczynski & Alice Filip

We would like to say farewell and good luck to Teddy Pierce who has left us to work at Marshall Street. You are missed by all and especially the group who took their chances riding with you every noon in your panel truck that resembled an armoured car... Beaming with pride are two new aunts—Allie Filip and Valerie Piantoni, and not to be outdone is our new grandmother, Harriet Michaels... Incidentally Valerie's sister Dorothy Lauth, is a former co-worker of ours... How about a ride in that brand new Buick that you just purchased Frances Laghi?... Congratulations go to Mr. & Mrs. Alex Brown on their Silver Wedding Anniversary which they observed on February 2nd.

Paper Rolling

by Cecilia Kozik and Lil Hartwig

Hi! Hi! Hi! Hurrah, here we are on our way with the latest news. First about our sleigh ride that was held on January 14th. About 14 girls met in front of the library and went up through Clarksburg and Stamford. While we were passing Velma Lincoln's house she thought her TV was going haywire. Imagine her surprise to find that when she looked out her window and saw that it was only the girls from Paper Rolling singing at the top of their lungs and having a gay old time. When the sleigh wouldn't make the hill in Clarksburg, Irene Bergendahl decided to get out and push. Some pushing she did! It was a riot to see Mary Valazza and Carm



Carol Patricia LaCroix is the daughter of Eugene LaCroix of the Bennington Plant. She was a bit sleepy when the picture was taken.

Tassone climb aboard the haywagon dressed like they were going to Alaska. About 35 girls attended a housewarming for Cecilia Kozik on January 24th. Everyone was quite dressed for the occasion except Yours Truly who was caught unaware having just washed her hair and getting prepared to spend a nice quiet evening in front of the fireplace. During the evening slides were shown by Tillie Mendel and accordion selections were played by Ronnie Berti. A buffet lunch was served by Mary Troia, Yvonne Leoncio, Mary Collier, Yvonne Daunais, and Irene LaFleur. Highlights of the affair was Yvonne Daunais walk-



Little Mark Mancini, son of John of FP Assembly, seems very happy with his Christmas gifts.



Pictured here are Kenneth, Denise, Richard and Debora Brooks are the grandchildren of Henry of Dry Rolling and 'Tony' of Brown Street.



Henry and 'Tony' Brooks pose proudly with their grandchildren. They are Jackie, Denise Marie, Debora Jean and Richard and Kenneth Brooks. They make a very nice family.



Gathered around the table for refreshments are part of the gang from Paper Rolling on Beaver Street as they assembled at a housewarming party for Cecilia Kozik.



Rudolph Lederhofer, Manager of Hong Kong Far Eastern Branch of Sprague World Trade Corporation and Giacomo Giacomello, Adm. delegate of our Italian Company Soc. CREAS Spa, chat at a recent party.

ing in with her coffee urn — which by the way, holds 48 cups of coffee. Cecilia was presented with a china service for six and a decorated cake for the occasion. Included in the service was a babysitter for Donna Kozik it was Isabel Thompson. You were quite a hit, Isabel. . . If we have many more snow storms Lil Hartwig threatens to put up her car for the rest of the winter. She has been late so often getting stuck in the snow. How come it just happens to you, Lil?

Small Orders

by Eloise Brown

The time is going by so quickly that it will be Spring before we know it. Then the housewives will be tearing their homes apart doing their Spring house-cleaning. . . We are very happy to have Doug Brunini as our new supervisor and Sam Unsworth as our new check inspector. We hope they enjoy working with us. Sam is the type of fellow who always has a smile and a cheery hello for everyone. . . I wish the other half of our department on Marshall Street would please come forward with a bit of news. Let's not lose touch with one another. I'll have to start making up poetry and that would be bad. . . Sorry to hear that Dolores Lipinski is on the sick list. Hope she will be back with us real soon. . . Frances Bushika was transferred to our other department on Marshall Street. We miss her very much but I'm sure she'll enjoy working with the Marshall Street gang.

Plating

by Joe Pilling

We have within our group a discussion panel of the finest. It consists of Frank Mroz, Izzy Wolkin, John Murach, Ed Skubel, Stan Lesnick, and chairman Harry Paesler. They have two fifteen minute sessions and one half hour sitting every day. There is no topic too deep for them. We call it the B. S. Round Table. I'm sure they would appreciate anyone sending in new topics for discussion. . . How come John Murach only bowls every other week. Is it to save money, John. . . Ed Skubel is a real good rabbit hunter. He bags two or three almost every week. He should take Mike Becker along and show him how it's done. . . Our annual bowling match against the Can Shop will be over at this reading, but I don't have to go far out on a limb to say that, as usual, we'll trim them. Check next month for a possible retraction. Bob Haas, of the Can Shop, says Mike Becker is afraid to bowl against him after he beat him last year. Mike says different but he won't bowl. . . Loren Estes better have his Ford fixed so that it will start or else stop bragging about what a good car he has. . . Ness Robert has been pretty busy with his band lately. People must enjoy dancing to his sweet music.

Sub-Miniature

by Rita Sullivan

Deepest sympathy to the family of the late Margaret Dempsey who passed away on January 22nd. Margaret had worked with us for several years

until she was taken sick last July. . . Winnie Knowles, Maude Sullivan and Patricia Joseph all experienced the flu bug this past month. Glad to see you all O. K. girls. . . Josephine Rosenberg is counting the months and weeks now until her son, Kenny, is discharged from the Marine Corps where he served three years. . . Paula Pappas is anxiously looking forward to Spring when she can come down the hill without sliding. It's not a very pleasant feeling wondering where you are going to stop. I feel the same about Heartwellville Mountain, Paula. . . Your reporter is counting the days now until she goes to Florida for three weeks to enjoy the beautiful sunshine and warm weather.

Hi-Rel. (Nights)

by Veronica Sobon

Shoveling snow has become the pet subject in our department since the big snowfall. Lucky for some of us, we have a short distance from the front steps to the sidewalk. This is not the story for the girls who drive and have to clean out their driveways to the garage. Listening to the girls one would say the men took off for parts unknown and left the women in charge of all the chores. Cheer up, girls, it is time to think of our Easter outfits. That ought to give us a lift. . . Roma Morris, as usual, outdid us all getting all the best bargains during the recent sales. . . Our reporter, Ronnie Sobon, had a busy month of January getting ready for her daughter's wedding on February 6th. . . Bina Michaels is in the early stages of preparation for her son's wedding in May. . . Olga Lic had a few bad days trying to lick some kind of a bug. A few days at home and a visit to the doctor and she's as good as new. . . Shirley Lesniak goes around with a new sparkle in her eyes. Next month we'll let you in on her secret.

A BIG BOOM!

America is headed for the biggest boom in the history of the world. Responsible and competent economists believe this is inevitable. They base their optimistic predictions on figures from the Bureau of the Census. A population of close to 200,000,000 is expected by 1970. This increase alone might guarantee good times but the boom will come, from the babies born in the last twenty years. By 1970 this country will have 30,000,000 in the 20 to 30 age group, as against 8,000,000 now.

These are the persons who will be buying and demanding modern conveniences. They will create markets almost four times as great as today.

Khrushchev tells the world, that Russia will overtake the United States in production and in good living. Russia will gain in the next ten years, but the United States will not stand still. We have scientists, engineers, industrial geniuses, atomic power. In addition, this coming group of young buyers — greater than Russia or any other country.

Get ready for the boom. In ten years you will wonder why you thought these were good times.

The Log Turns Its Pages Back to Feb-March, 1940

The Log for February and March 1940 reviews the first ten years of the Company in North Adams.

Started in Quincy, Mass., by Mr. R. C. Sprague (now Chairman of the Board and Treasurer of the Company), the first employees were Miss Mary Avery ("Mollie" is now Assistant Secretary of the Company); Mr. Julian Sprague (now President of the Company) was supervising manufacturing; Harry Kalker (now President of Sprague Products Company) was Salesman.

Other employees coming to North Adams with the Company were Ernest Purpura (now Chief Section Engineer in Production Engineering); Frederick McNamara (now Department Head in Purchasing); Mary Troia (now a supervisor in Paper Rolling Dept.); Walter Clark (now Manager of Production Engineering); Lars Andersen (now Section Head in Sales Dept.); Henry Anderson (now in Machine Shop); Margaret Anderson (now of Retail Sales); and Lewis Cronin (now a Superintendent in the Industrial Oil Dept.).

Those in group pictures taken in 1930 are: Rita Styczynski (now of Tantalum); Florence L'Ecyer (now of Dry Tubular Assembly); Leo Lemoine (now a supervisor in Pulse Transformer); Mary Daniels (now of Retail Sales); Joseph DeGrenier (now a supervisor in Dry Rolling); Betty Fleury (now in Filter Dept.); Carleton Perry (now Foreman in Maintenance); Henry Anderson (now expediter in Machine Shop); Matt Nazzewski (now in Research and Engineering); George Scarbo (now of Machine Shop); Mary Mondia (now Mrs. Silvio Volpi of Film Products); and Rudy Drobiak (now of Machine Shop).

Pictured on the basketball team (1940) are: Harold Kline (now of Warehouse); Alfred "Toots" Bergeron (now a General Foreman at Beaver Street); Jack Shields (now a Superintendent at Brown Street Plant); and Adolf "Jim" Zabek (now a Foreman in Paper Rolling).

This issue marks the introduction of a staff of reporters for the "LOG".

Among the first reporters were: Ida Marceau (now Mrs. Harry Lovett of Check Inspection); Beatrice Pierce (now of Check Inspection); Kenny Russell (now General Foreman in Industrial Oil and still on the Log Staff); Dorothy Bliss (now of Filter Dept.); Norman Bourdon (now of Industrial Oil Impregnating); Agnes McDonough (now of Payroll); Fred Windover (now in Sales Dept.); and Jack Sullivan (now a supervisor in Centrifuge Dept.).



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| 2. Yvonne St. Cyr | 12. Charles Mattimore | 23. Ronald Morse |
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Going My Way

Helen Unis and Mario Trozzi
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Theresa Morin and John J. Grady
Stella Beauchamp and John Battersby
Patricia Bartlett and Harold Smith
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Cynthia Morin and Stanley Dubis
Connie Blanchard and
Robert Lincoln
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Richard Rousseau



- JANUARY
8. Beverly Andrews & James Little
 9. Marion Harvey & Romeo Gagne
 9. Beverly Williams & Walter Gallup
 30. Carolyn Lataif & Robert Mullen
- FEBRUARY
3. Virginia Welch & Charles Shepard
 6. Daisy Sobon & Larry Kupiec
 13. Frances Kelly & James Livesey
 20. Jane Warren & Lewis Cuyler



3. Mr. & Mrs. Charles Gray, son
 4. Mr. & Mrs. Dover Owens, son
 5. Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Spencer, twin daughters
 11. Mr. & Mrs. Larry Burdick, son
 15. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Silveira, daughter
 20. Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Lauth, daughter
 22. Mr. & Mrs. Edward Sprague, son
 22. Mr. & Mrs. William Novacek, daughter
 23. Mr. & Mrs. Frank Schmidt, daughter
 26. Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Petro, son
 28. Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Chenail, daughter
 31. Mr. & Mrs. John Barry, son
- FEBRUARY
1. Mr. & Mrs. George Bushika, daughter
 2. Mr. & Mrs. John Millis, son
 3. Mr. & Mrs. Omer Richard, son

A Touch of Humor

"And how were the bath salts?" asked the druggist.

"Well, they taste very nice," said the woman customer, "but I don't think they have the same effect as a real bath."

Artist: "Well, to make a long story short, it took me ten years to finally realize that I had absolutely no talent for painting."

Friend: "So you quit."

Artist: "Oh, no, I couldn't. By that time I was too famous."



The gang at Paper Rolling gathered on a cold winter night for a sleigh ride. Everyone seems well prepared for a very enjoyable evening.

WHICH WAY OUT?



SEE YOUR CREDIT UNION

CAUGHT IN A CREDIT SQUEEZE?

What can you do if you're caught in a credit squeeze? The most obvious and truthful answer is not to get involved in this credit merry-go-round in the first place!

During these times of rising prosperity, credit is easier and easier to obtain. For example, many stores that never used to sell anything on time offer all kinds of arrangements today. Conditions such as these allow people to look upon credit as a cafeteria. Their eyes become bigger than their pocketbooks. So what happens? They buy and buy... they pay and pay... and then WHAM! out of the blue, they lose their job or their overtime is eliminated. They find they can't pay anymore and their half bought diamond ring, automobile or TV set is repossessed. Sooner or later they end up borrowing heavily to clear themselves. So on it goes, the merry-go-round spins faster and faster, whirling them deeper and deeper into financial destruction. A tragedy which unfolds thousands of times each day.

Let's take a closer look at this credit buying situation.

The most common way of buying an item on credit is the installment plan. Suppose you buy a gas range—although almost any other durable item or large appliance would be a good illustration. You make a down payment, sign various papers, and get possession of the range. The papers you are asked to sign may include a conditional sales contract, a promissory note, a wage assignment, and other legally binding papers. There is a lot of printing on them and every word is important. We hope you read each one carefully.

In general, the law holds you to what you sign and presumes that you know what you are signing. You can't afford not to know.

In the event you can't meet your newly acquired financial responsibilities at some time or another, what action may your creditor take against you?

Normally, a creditor has two courses of action to take:

An installment purchase may involve an assignment of your wages or salary to secure the payments of the installments. By such an assignment you agree that, in the event you fail to make any payment when due,

up to 25% of your wages by law must be paid by your employer directly to the seller or finance company until the purchase has been paid in full.

A garnishment is the second remedy available to the creditor after he has obtained judgment against you. It is a court proceeding by which he is able to reach money owed to you by other persons, including your employer.

A garnishment is not limited to 25% of your wages. Unless you are the head of the family, there is no limit whatever. If you are the head of the family you are allowed \$40.00 a week as an exemption...the rest goes toward the debt. Even your private bank account may be garnished.

There is also a third fate you could suffer. A continuous chain of heavy credit purchases may affect your ability to pay your federal income taxes, and you could be the recipient of a government levy.

When a government levy is placed against you, it can claim all your wages for a one week period. This drastic action can continue week after week until your delinquent tax debt is paid up.

These three claims against you may appear severe and unfair, but that's the law!

Fortunately, the chance of your wages being assigned, garnished or levied upon is severely reduced if you follow these few rules:

Don't buy anything you can't afford.

Buy only from reputable people, and do not buy under any circumstances unless you are permitted to arrange financing with a savings and loan organization, bank, finance company or credit union whose good standing in the community is well known.

Never sign any kind of paper or receipt unless it is completely filled in and you know exactly what it means. Many firms use cognovit notes (a cognovit note being a note which allows any attorney at law to appear in any court of record in the United States and waive the issuing and service of process and confess judgment against you.) But if an unethical firm gets your name on one of them, you're in for it. Always make sure you have a filled-in copy

Taxes and Your Family Records

Family record keeping probably ranks with mowing the lawn and cleaning out the attic, as being among the things you would most like to avoid in your leisure time. However, carefully prepared family records can pay off in dividends... tax-refund type dividends. For to take advantage of any of the many legitimate tax deductions you are allowed, you must have adequate records.

Perhaps the possibility of cash savings will prompt you seriously to consider the suggestions given here by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. They show why you should keep monthly records of most of your tax deductible expenses.

Medical and Dental Expenses
You can deduct medical and dental expenses in excess of 3 per cent of your adjusted gross income. In other words, if your adjusted gross income was \$6,000 then you could deduct expenses over \$180. Medical and dental expenses include not only doctor and dentist bills, but also such things as X-rays, hospital insurance premiums, and hearing aids.

Many people, particularly people with hospitalization insurance, figure that they will never have enough medical bills to allow them a deduction, so they pay their doctor and dentist in cash whenever they make a visit and don't bother to add up the expense. However, medical bills have a way of hitting hard and fast. A valuable deduction may be lost simply because you cannot tell how much you have paid to various doctors and dentists for the care of yourself and your family. And remember, every \$5 you deduct will put a dollar or more back into your pocket.

So, record your medical and dental expenses on a monthly basis. Be pessimistic. Assume that your bills will be high for the year, and that you will need to accumulate them toward a deduction. Also assume that the Internal Revenue Service will want to check your return. You can and should get proof of your medical expenses as they are paid. Either pay all expenses by check (made out to the doctor or dentist, not to "cash") and keep the cancelled checks, or ask for a receipted bill whenever you pay cash.

Cost of Drugs

Drugs in excess of 1 per cent of your adjusted gross income can be deducted as a medical expense. However, you must be sure to segregate drug purchases from other things you buy at the drug store. Toothpaste, cosmetics, and toiletries can't be included. Neither can vitamins, iron supplements, or other formulas taken to preserve your general health. However, there are many drugs and medicines you can buy without a prescription that will allow a deductible expense. Such things as headache and cold remedies, lotions to heal cuts and bruises, and so on.

Charitable Contributions

The federal tax law allows a very liberal deduction for charitable giving. Whether or not the amount you give each year warrants your keeping a tally can best be answered by you, but if you are at all generous there are some things you should consider. Your deductible contributions to charity can go as high as 20 per cent of your adjusted gross income, and up to 30 per cent in some cases. The instruction booklet you receive from the Internal Revenue Service gives information on the various organizations that are considered charitable for tax purposes.

An important point to think about here is that your charitable contributions can be made in forms other than cash. For example, you can give

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Taxes

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shares of stock, land, furniture, clothing, and so on. The deduction you are allowed for items other than cash is measured in terms of the value of the item at the time you give it. You may have purchased a set of living room furniture some years ago for \$800, but at the time you give it to your local church it has a fair market value of only about \$50. Your deduction would be \$50. It is important to keep a record of the gift, particularly the date it was given, and if it happens to be stock, you might clip the stock market quotations from the newspaper of that date to show the price it was selling at.

State and Local Taxes

You will probably not be able to support every deductible expense with a cancelled check or receipted bill, but if you know approximately how much you spent on purchases subject to, say, sales tax, you will be able to make a reasonable estimate of the amount of tax you paid, which is a deductible item on your tax return. The Internal Revenue Service will allow such an estimate. However, if your purchases are unusually high because you bought a new car or some other expensive commodity, your best bet is to be able to show the bills on at least the large items. It pays to set up a record for state and local taxes paid, and estimate the amount each month while the expenses are still fresh in your mind. This will save you a lot of trouble at tax filing time.

Other Considerations

Interest on your mortgage or loan is deductible expense. However, since your interest expense is likely to be fairly consistent month to month, it isn't difficult to determine your total interest expenses at the end of the year.

If you contribute to the support of a relative, it may be advantageous to list your contributions each month. You may be giving cash regularly, but other items such as food and clothing also count and may be important in showing that you contributed enough during the year to claim a dependency exemption for the relative. Of course, the relative must also meet certain other tests for a dependent. Space does not permit a complete discussion of dependency exemptions, but there is information on the subject in the instruction booklet you receive with your tax return. But, whether you think you will be able to claim a dependency exemption or not, list the expenses just in case.

Income Other Than Wages

You must keep a record of any additional income you receive. Such income as interest on a savings account, gambling winnings, prizes, dividends, and so on. Any additional income must be added to your wage or salary when determining your taxable income.

Always keep your cancelled checks, paid bills, etc. together. At the end of the year simply tally up your deductible expenses and you will have most of the information you need to make your income tax filing a breeze.

The Number's Game

Practically every day someone comes out flatly in favor of economic growth. Then he picks a number, which may be four, five, or six and says that this is the percentage of growth the nation must have each year.

You can't quarrel with the need for economic growth. With the population growing so fast that about one million new jobs are needed every year, we've got to grow. The trouble with trying to pick a fixed growth rate is that it usually implies that government should guarantee this growth—by huge spending and inflation if necessary.

But real economic growth is not made of government spending. There's no benefit to the people in growing inflated dollars. Real economic growth is a steady increase in the output of new and better products. It is a steady increase in the number and size of businesses, and the ability of these businesses to provide new jobs. It is the growth made by people, not government.

National Engineers Week

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pany. He will speak at a Ladies' Night meeting of the Berkshire MSPE Chapter at the Stanley Club in Pittsfield on February 26.

Plans for National Engineers' Week were announced by the Berkshire Chapter's president, J. P. Ellis of the General Electric Company in Pittsfield. National Engineers' Week is sponsored annually by the National Society of Professional Engineers, the national organization of which the MSPE is a part. The Berkshire Chapter of the MSPE has 148 members. A professional engineer's license issued by any state is the requirement for membership in the MSPE.

James N. Edwards of Field Engineering, is chairman in charge of the publicity for the event. He is being assisted in the Northern Berkshire area by William F. Bell, of General Administrative Department.

Mr. Ellis said National Engineers' Week is designed to "bring to the attention of the American people the role of the engineer in society and his vital function in furthering safety, technical progress, and public welfare."

The week's feature speaker, Mr. Ley, has earned an international reputation since coming to the United States in 1935. His books are considered classics in the space-travel field. They include, "Rockets, Missiles, and Space Travel," "The Exploration of Mars" (with Wernher von Braun), and "The Conquest of Space."

He is contributor to many scientific and popular publications and writes a monthly column for *Galaxy Magazine*.

In his lecture Mr. Ley discusses the scientific and military implications of man-made satellites, the human factor in space flight, the medical and legal aspects of space exploration, and space travel's effects on man's everyday life in the future.

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Credit

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of the financing agreement, including the exact amount of the monthly payments.

Remember you can get good advice from a reputable lending organization. Such a firm doesn't want to get you in over your head.

If sickness, an unexpected lay-off, or other problems make it impossible for you to keep up your payments, go to the people you owe money to right away. Explain the facts to them and try to work out some arrangement to pay what you can.

If your debts continue to mount, don't be afraid to seek legal advice.

Remember that a good credit record counts for a lot with reputable people. Take it easy if you get a big chunk of overtime or other windfall that's just temporary. If you have a reputation for paying your debts regularly, you'll find everyone more willing to go along with you if you get in trouble during an emergency.

Names In The News

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University. His territory will cover the Northern Berkshire area.

PETER MANGUSO & ERNEST PURPURA, of Production Engineering, were active in the yearly YMCA Membership Drive. Pete was co-chairman of the men's teams and Ernie was chairman of the underprivileged children's memberships.

LEONARD LEWITT, Foreman of Brown Street Papers, ROMEO GAG-

NE of Tantalum Formation and NEVILLE TOYE of Ceramics rank as three of the local National Guardsmen with the most service. "Red" Lewitt has 29 years service, Romeo Gagne has 24 years, and Neville Toye has a little better than 20 years.

JAMES A. WHITE, of Research & Engineering, received a patent for a pulse forming network assembly that produces square energy pulses.

PRESTON ROBINSON, Director-Consultant, and DAVID B. PECK, Manager of Special Products Division, received a patent for a method of attaching terminals to a metallized plastic film capacitor.

NORTON CUSHMAN, Manager of Electrical Development and Engineering for Special Products Division, received a patent for a magnetic device including a bobbin having two openings which are wound with magnetic tape.



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